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Amendments to the Claims

The current listing of claims replaces all previous versions of the claims.

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) A Christmas tree water feeder comprising:
  - a bottle defining a reservoir and having an opening for allowing fluid to travel outwardly from said reservoir;
  - an elongated flexible hose defining a conduit and having a first end portion ~~removably insertable into~~ in fluid communication with the opening, said hose further having an oppositely spaced second end portion extending outwardly and away from said bottle;
  - an elongated rigid tube having a longitudinal axis and opposed end portions engageable with said second end portion of said hose and a basin housing a plant, one said opposed end portions of said tube having an arcuate shape and extending in a substantially orthogonal direction to the axis;
  - a stand for supporting said bottle thereon and at an inverted position, said stand including a top member and a base member adjustably engageable therewith and for allowing a height between the opening of said bottle and a ground surface to be selectively adjusted;
  - a plurality of fastening members for selectively engaging said top member and said base member with each other; and
  - a guide member positionable adjacent a Christmas tree and having an opening formed therein for receiving said tube and for maintaining same at select positions;  
wherein said top base member has a plurality of oppositely spaced slots extending substantially vertically therealong, said plurality of fastening members being adjustably positionable along said plurality of slots to thereby adjust a height of said stand.
2. (original) The water feeder of claim 1, wherein said top member includes a substantially annular portion integral therewith and for receiving said bottle thereon.

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3. (original) The water feeder of claim 2, wherein said annular portion has an opening spaced above said base member and for allowing said tube to be selectively positioned therethrough.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (original) The water feeder of claim 1, further comprising a rubber seal positioned adjacent said opening and being spaced from said first end portion of said hose, said rubber seal for assisting to prevent water from leaking out of said opening.

6. (original) The water feeder of claim 1, further comprising a cap including a threaded inner surface for threadably engaging said opening, said cap having an aperture formed substantially centrally thereof and being in fluid communication with said flexible hose.

7. (currently amended) A Christmas tree water feeder comprising:  
a bottle defining a reservoir and having an opening for allowing fluid to travel outwardly from said reservoir;  
an elongated flexible hose defining a conduit and having a first end portion ~~removably insertable into~~ in fluid communication with the opening, said hose further having an oppositely spaced second end portion extending outwardly and away from said bottle;  
an elongated rigid tube having a longitudinal axis and opposed end portions engageable with said second end portion of said hose and a basin housing a plant, one said opposed end portions of said tube having an arcuate shape and extending in a substantially orthogonal direction to the axis;  
a stand for supporting said bottle thereon and at an inverted position, said stand including a top member and a base member adjustably engageable therewith and for allowing a height between the opening of said bottle and a ground surface to be selectively adjusted, said top member including a substantially annular portion integral therewith and for receiving said bottle thereon;

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a plurality of fastening members for selectively engaging said top member and said base member with each other; and

a guide member positionable adjacent a Christmas tree and having an opening formed therein for receiving said tube and for maintaining same at select positions;

wherein said top base member has a plurality of oppositely spaced slots extending substantially vertically therealong, said plurality of fastening members being adjustably positionable along said plurality of slots to thereby adjust a height of said stand.

8. (original) The water feeder of claim 7, wherein said annular portion has an opening spaced above said base member and for allowing said tube to be selectively positioned therethrough.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (original) The water feeder of claim 7, further comprising a rubber seal positioned adjacent said opening and being spaced from said first end portion of said hose, said rubber seal for assisting to prevent water from leaking out of said opening.

11. (original) The water feeder of claim 7, further comprising a cap including a threaded inner surface for threadably engaging said opening, said cap having an aperture formed substantially centrally thereof and being in fluid communication with said flexible hose.

12. (currently amended) A Christmas tree water feeder comprising:  
a bottle defining a reservoir and having an opening for allowing fluid to travel outwardly from said reservoir;  
an elongated flexible hose defining a conduit and having a first end portion removably insertable into in fluid communication with the opening, said hose further having an oppositely spaced second end portion extending outwardly and away from said bottle;

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an elongated rigid tube having a longitudinal axis and opposed end portions engageable with said second end portion of said hose and a basin housing a plant, one said opposed end portions of said tube having an arcuate shape and extending in a substantially orthogonal direction to the axis;

a stand for supporting said bottle thereon and at an inverted position, said stand including a top member and a base member adjustably engageable therewith and for allowing a height between the opening of said bottle and a ground surface to be selectively adjusted, said top member including a substantially annular portion integral therewith and for receiving said bottle thereon, said annular portion has an opening spaced above said base member and for allowing said tube to be selectively positioned therethrough;

a plurality of fastening members for selectively engaging said top member and said base member with each other; and

a guide member positionable adjacent a Christmas tree and having an opening formed therein for receiving said tube and for maintaining same at select positions;

wherein said top base member has a plurality of oppositely spaced slots extending substantially vertically therealong, said plurality of fastening members being adjustably positionable along said plurality of slots to thereby adjust a height of said stand.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (original) The water feeder of claim 12, further comprising a rubber seal positioned adjacent said opening and being spaced from said first end portion of said hose, said rubber seal for assisting to prevent water from leaking out of said opening.

15. (original) The water feeder of claim 12, further comprising a cap including a threaded inner surface for threadably engaging said opening, said cap having an aperture formed substantially centrally thereof and being in fluid communication with said flexible hose.